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THE TREASURER'S CASH BALANCE REDUCED

—A SMALL LOSS TO THE SURPLUS.

Sunday, Dec. 16—p. m.

The United States Treasurer's report received from customs \$1,244,661, and from internal revenue \$2,681,766; total from both, \$3,926,427. By against \$3,966,719 for the preceding week. By yesterday's Treasury statement its net cash balance was \$1,407,492 less than a week ago; the loss the cash deposits in National banks were increased by \$1,453,020. The loss to the gold balance was \$1,453,020, made up by a loss of \$1,516,760 in bullion, less a reduction in the amount of outstanding certificates of \$58,740,000. The silver balance declined \$612,210; while there was a gain of \$1,191,174 to the amount of bullion held, the addition to the silver certificates in circulation was \$1,803,384. The liability for the redemption of National bank notes was reduced \$708,530, so that the reduction in available surplus was only \$788,962. Compared with the statement of December 1, the cash balances in vaults now are \$600,000 smaller; and to that reduction two weeks' silver coinage—\$1,200,000—gives \$1,800,000 as the sum of legal money put into circulation by the operations of the Treasury during the last two weeks. During the same two weeks the net decline of National deposits in National banks was \$370,000.

Subjoined are the results of yesterday's statement compared with those of the statement of December 8:

Dec. 8, 1888.	Dec. 15, 1888.	Differences.
Gold coin and bullion	\$1,453,020	-\$1,516,760
U. S. notes and certificates	\$1,407,492	-\$1,453,020
U. S. silver coin	\$1,200,000	-\$1,200,000
U. S. silver certificates	\$1,803,384	+\$1,803,384
U. S. National bank notes	\$1,407,492	-\$1,407,492
U. S. National bank deposits	\$1,407,492	-\$1,407,492
U. S. National bank surplus	\$1,407,492	-\$1,407,492
U. S. National bank liabilities	\$1,407,492	-\$1,407,492
U. S. National bank assets	\$1,407,492	-\$1,407,492
U. S. National bank capital	\$1,407,492	-\$1,407,492
U. S. National bank profits	\$1,407,492	-\$1,407,492
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U. S. National bank taxes	\$1,407,492	-\$1,407,492
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